BAXTER COUNTY QUORUM COURT AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

THE BAXTER COUNTY QUORUM COURT WILL MEET FOR REGULAR SESSION ON **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2026 AT 5:30 PM** IN THE 2ND FLOOR COURTROOM OF THE COURTHOUSE, WITH JUDGE KEVIN LITTY PRESIDING.

- CALL TO ORDER
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE
- ROLL CALL
- DISPOSITION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING
- TREASURER'S REPORT – JENAY MIZE
- COMMITTEE REPORTS: BUDGET COMMITTEE
- PRESENTATION: HISTORICAL SOCIETY – CASEY HOUSE PHASE 2 RENOVATION
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS

1. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FEES AND REIMBURSEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF $29,890.71 RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF JULY TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE 2026 BUDGET.
2. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $18,000.00 FROM THE COUNTY GENERAL REVENUE FUND (1000) INTO THE COUNTY CORONER'S 2026 BUDGET.
3. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $30,896.50 FROM COUNTY GENERAL REVENUE FUND (1000) INTO SHERIFF'S OFFICE 2026 BUDGET.
4. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $45,000.00 FROM SPECIAL JAIL FEES FUND (3017) INTO THE JAIL MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS 2026 BIDGET.
5. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $215,000.00 FROM CORONER'S BUILDING REVENUE FUND (4801) INTO CORONER'S BUILDING 2026 BUDGET.
6. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,752.56 FROM THE ADULT DRUG COURT OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND (3048) INTO THE ADULT DRUG COURT OPIOID SETTLEMENT 2026 BUDGET.
7. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $5,000.00 INTO THE CASEY HOUSE RESTORATION GRANT FUND (3507) 2026 BUDGET.
8. AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,493,557.63 TO BE RECEIVED THROUGH REIMBURSABLE STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS FOR BAXTER COUNTY AIRPORT.
9. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2026-35 PASSED AUGUST 4, 2026, TO CORRECT A SCRIVENER'S ERROR IN THE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT NUMBER.
10. A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF RANDY COY AND THE RE-APPOINTMENTS OF JOHN VANDERWERF AND DEBBIE ROWLAND BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE NORFORK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.
11. A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF RUSSEL GILLIS BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE HAND COVE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - _____

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FEES AND REIMBURSEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF $29,890.71 RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF JULY TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation: This court affirms that the Baxter County Sheriff's Office has collected the following fees, reimbursements and donations in excess of the anticipated budgeted revenue amount in the month of July 2026:

$ 135.00	received from DWI Fines from District Court
$ 2,415.35	received from Act 770 Fees
$ 4,284.60	received for Installment Fees
$ 25.00	received VIN Checks
$ 47.50	received for Auction Proceeds (Check)
$ 800.00	received for Inmate's Social Security (Sent Directly to Treasurer's Office)
$ 100.00	received for Animal Adoption (Cash)
$ 25.00	received for Donation (Cash)
$ 354.44	reimbursement Inmates' Medical
$ 687.57	reimbursement Inmate Prescriptions (Sent from BXSO to Treasurer's Office)
$ 4,000.00	reimbursement (Sale of Vehicles) (Check)
$ 7,300.00	reimbursement (Sales of Vehicles) (Check)
$ 9,711.25	reimbursement (Sales of Vehicles) (Check)
$ 5.00	reimbursement Court Ordered Restitution (Extradition – Prisoner Transport) (Check)

Article 2. Designation: There are sufficient funds available for said transfers.

Article 3. Appropriation: It is necessary for the Clerk's Office to appropriate said monies totaling **$29,890.71** to the appropriate line items in the Sheriff's Office 2026 budgets.

There is hereby appropriated from the 2026 County General Fund (#1000) **$16,291.60** for the following designated expenditures:

$ 2,440.35 to GL# 1000-0400-2001 (Sheriff: General Supplies)

$ 9,711.25 to GL# 1000-0400-2002 (Sheriff: Small Equipment)

$ 140.00 to GL# 1000-0400-2007 (Sheriff: Fuel, Oil & Lubricant)

$ 4,000.00 to GL# 1000-0400-2020 (Sheriff: Building Materials & Supplies)

There is hereby appropriated from the 2026 Animal Control Fund (#1800) **$125.00** for the following designated expenditures:

$ 125.00 to GL# 1800-0191-2001 (Animal Control: General Supplies)

There is hereby appropriated from the 2026 Sheriff's Special Projects Fund (#3400) **$4,332.10** for the following designated expenditures:

$ 47.50 to GL# 3400-0400-2001 (Sheriff's Projects: General Supplies)

$ 4,284.60 to GL# 3400-0400-3003 (Sheriff's Projects: Computer Services)

There is hereby appropriated from the 2026 County Jail Fund (#3401) **$9,142.01** the following designated expenditures:

$ 7,300.00 to GL# 3401-0418-2002 (Jail: Small Equipment)

$ 687.57 to GL# 3401-0418-2004 (Jail: Medicine & Drugs)

$ 1,154.44 to GL# 3401-0418-3006 (Jail: Med, Den & Hosp)

Article 4. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 -_____

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $18,000.00 FROM THE COUNTY GENERAL REVENUE FUND (1000) INTO THE COUNTY CORONER'S 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation: The Coroner's Office is requesting an allocation of funds within the 2026 budget for the purpose of purchasing an AquaEye underwater body locating device for the Coroner's Office.

Article 2. Designation: There are sufficient funds available for said transfers.

Article 3. Appropriation: The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's Office to make the following appropriations into the designated line items:

$ 18,000.00 to GL #1000-0419-4004 (Mach & Equip)

Article 4. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: Budget Committee

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - _____

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $30,896.50 FROM COUNTY GENERAL REVENUE FUND (1000) INTO SHERIFF'S OFFICE 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation: The Sheriff's Office received proceeds in the amount of $30,896.50 from the reimbursement check for a Dodge Charger that was a total loss through Association of Arkansas Counties, and is requesting the funds to be appropriated into the Sheriff's Office 2026 Budget for proper use of expenditures.

Article 2. Designation: There are sufficient funds available for said transfer.

Article 3. Appropriation: The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's Office to make the following appropriation:

$30,896.50 to GL #1000-0400-4005 (Purchase of Vehicles)

Article 4. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: Budget Committee

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 -_____

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $45,000.00 FROM SPECIAL JAIL FEES FUND (3017) INTO THE JAIL MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation: The Sheriff's Office is requesting an allocation of funds within the 2026 budget for the purpose of appropriate assignment of expenditures.

Article 2. Designation: There are sufficient funds available for said transfers.

Article 3. Appropriation: The County Treasurer is authorized to transfer $45,000.00 from Special Jail Fees Fund (3017) into the Jail Maintenance & Operations Fund (3401).

The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's Office to make the following appropriations into the designated line items:

$ 33,000.00 from Special Jail Fees Fund #3017 to GL #3401-0418-4005 (Purchase of Vehicles)

$12,000.00 from Special Jail Fees Fund #3017 to GL #3401-0418-2002 (Small Equipment)

Article 4. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: Budget Committee

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - _____

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $215,000.00 FROM CORONER'S BUILDING REVENUE FUND (4801) INTO CORONER'S BUILDING 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation: Revenue received in the amount of $215,000.00 from the sale of the Health Department Building from Baxter Health, the funds will be appropriated into the Coroner's Building 2026 Budget for proper use of expenditures.

Article 2. Designation: There are sufficient funds available for said transfer.

Article 3. Appropriation: The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's Office to make the following appropriation:

$215,000.00 to GL #4801-0111-4006 (Construction in Progress)

Article 4. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 -_____

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,752.56 FROM THE ADULT DRUG COURT OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND (3048) INTO THE ADULT DRUG COURT OPIOID SETTLEMENT 2026 BUDGET

Article 1. Affirmation: Judge Andrew Bailey is requesting an allocation of funds within the Adult Drug Court Opioid Settlement 2026 budget for the purpose of appropriate assignment of expenditures.

Article 2. Designation: There are sufficient funds available for said transfers.

Article 3. Appropriation: The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's Office to make the following appropriation into the designated line items:

$ 3,752.56 to GL #3048-0406-3103 (Grants-In-Aid)

Article 4. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - _____

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $5,000.00 INTO THE CASEY HOUSE RESTORATION GRANT FUND (3507) 2026 BUDGET.

Article 1. Affirmation: The Baxter County Budget Committee approved a request of $5,000.00 for renovations for the Casey House.

Article 2. Designation: There are sufficient funds available for said transfers.

Article 3. Appropriation: The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's office to make the following appropriation:

$5,000.00 to GL #3507-0112-3009 (Other Professional Services)

Article 4. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: Budget Committee

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 2026 –

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,493,557.63 TO BE RECEIVED THROUGH REIMBURSABLE STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS FOR THE BAXTER COUNTY AIRPORT.

Article 1. Affirmation: The Baxter County Airport has been awarded reimbursable grant funds (AR Grant 4484-26, AR Grant 4485-26, Federal Grant AIG/IIJA and Federal Grant AIP) for eligible project expenses and must expend funds prior to reimbursement, requiring an appropriation into the Baxter County Airport 2026 Budget

Article 2. Appropriation: The County Treasurer is authorized to transfer $82,617.98 from Airport Fund (3037) into the Airport Grants Fund Cost Share (3537).

The Quorum Court authorizes the Clerk's Office to make the following appropriations into the designated line items:

$ 133,071.75 to #3537-0900-3111 (Hangar Access)

$ 346,554.00 to #3537-0900-3112 (80 X 60 Clear Span Hanger #3)

$ 393,226.00 to #3537-0900-3113 (Taxi Rehab Phase II AIG/IIJA)

$ 620,705.88 to #3537-0900-3114 (Taxi Rehab Phase III AIP)

Article 3. Effective Date: This appropriation ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the quorum court.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 -_____

BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2026-35 PASSED AUGUST 4, 2026, TO CORRECT A SCRIVENER'S ERROR IN THE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT NUMBER.

Article 1. Purpose and Intent. This ordinance is enacted for the purpose of correcting a scrivener's error contained in Ordinance No. 2026-35, adopted by the Baxter County Quorum Court on August 4, 2026. The original ordinance inadvertently listed an incorrect appropriation account number. The correction made herein does not alter the intent of the Quorum Court and is solely clerical in nature.

Article 2. Correction of Account Number. Ordinance No. 2026-35 appropriated $5,000.00 to account 3400-0400-3001 (Small Equipment). The correct account number intended by the Quorum Court is:

3400-0400-2002 (Small Equipment)

Therefore, Ordinance No. 2026-35 is hereby amended to reflect the correct appropriation account number **3400-0400-2002**, replacing the erroneous number **3400-0400-3001**.

Article 3. Clerical Nature of Amendment. This amendment is limited to correction of a clerical error and does not modify the substance, purpose, or amount of the appropriation approved by the Quorum Court.

Article 4. Severability. If any portion of this ordinance is declared invalid, such declaration shall not affect the remaining portions.

Article 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and approval.

APPROVED:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

SPONSOR: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - _____

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF RANDY COY AND THE RE-APPOINTMENTS OF JOHN VANDERWERF AND DEBBIE ROWLAND BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE NORFORK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY, ARKANSAS, THAT:

Section 1. The following member of the Norfork Volunteer Fire Department Board of Commissioners, having been appointed by the County Judge to fill the unexpired term of Brooke Chapman set to expire October 2027, is hereby confirmed by the Quorum Court.

RANDY COY

Section 2. The following members of the Norfork Volunteer Fire Department District Board of Commissioners, having been re-appointed by the County Judge for a term of three (3) years to expire August 2029, are hereby confirmed by the Quorum Court.

JOHN VANDERWERF

DEBBIE ROWLAND

Section 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

APPROVAL:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

Sponsors: E. Payne – JP - 11

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - _____

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF RUSSEL GILLIS BY THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE HAND COVE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF BAXTER COUNTY, ARKANSAS, THAT:

Section 1. The following member of the Hand Cove Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners, having been appointed by the County Judge to fill the vacant seat left by the resignation of Dan Alderman, set to expire in June 2027 is hereby confirmed by the Quorum Court.

RUSSEL GILLIS

Section 2. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

APPROVAL:

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KEVIN LITTY, COUNTY JUDGE

Date Signed:_____

ATTEST:

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CANDA J. REESE, COUNTY CLERK

Sponsors: R. Steiner – JP – 3

Date Adopted: _____

Votes: For:_____ Against:_____

Abstain:_____ Present:_____ Absent:_____